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For: NOVEL IMPLANT AND NOVEL )  
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OF ACQUIRED DISEASES )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.823(a), please insert the attached copy of the "Sequence Listing" after the last page of the above-identified application to replace the Sequence Listing identified on pages 39-51.

Please delete pages 39-51 and renumber the application pages accordingly.

Please append the Abstract, attached on a separate piece of paper, to the end of the disclosure.